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June 3, 2015

Ben Lamoreaux
Alpine Gems, LLC,
2686 North 775 West
Cedar City, Utah 84721

Subject: Approval of Amended Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Alpine Gems, LLC, Big Dry Valley Quarry, S/025/0015

Dear Mr. Lamoreaux:

The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining finds your amended Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations (NOI) complete and approves the transfer of the NOI to Alpine Gems LLC. You are now permitted to conduct small mining activities as outlined in the amended NOI, provided you have approval from all other appropriate agencies. The approval or acceptance of a complete NOI does not relieve an operator from his responsibility to comply with the applicable statutes, rules, regulations, and ordinances of all local, state and federal agencies with jurisdiction over any aspect of the operator's mining operations. Enclosed please find a copy of the approved amendment to your NOI. This approval is to operate on four acres or less. The BLM holds the surety for this site which will be in the amount of \$27,000. There is currently a reclamation surety of \$22,500. An additional amount of \$4,500 will be transferred from the closure of the Butler Valley Quarry, permit S/025/0016.

Please keep in mind the following regulatory requirements.

- Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning activities will help ensure successful revegetation. Even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory surety release.
- If you encounter any archaeological or historical items, you are asked to notify this office, and State History of your find.
- Annual reports and permit fees are due by January 31st.

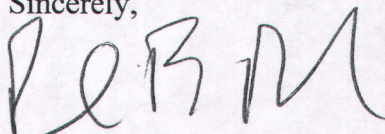
The Division's web page at <http://ogm.utah.gov> under the Minerals Program has a link to the rules under which you are expected to operate and to other information to assist you in complying with program requirements. Thank you for your cooperation.



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In reply, please refer to file number S/025/0015. If you have questions or concerns regarding this letter, please contact Lynn Kunzler at 801-538-5310 or myself at 801-538-5261. Best wishes with your mining venture!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. B. Baker', with a stylized, cursive script.

Paul B. Baker
Minerals Program Manager

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Enclosure: Copy of approved NOI & MRRC

cc: James Holland, BLM Kanab Field Office (jholland@blm.gov)

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